

NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION[571]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code subsection 455A.5(6), the Natural Resource Commission hereby amends Chapter 40, "Boating Speed and Distance Zoning," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments establish a no-wake zone on Catfish Creek by placement of regulatory buoys beginning at the mouth of Catfish Creek and extending upstream to the confluence of Catfish Creek and Granger Creek. Catfish Creek, which runs through Mines of Spain State Recreation Area, continues to increase in popularity for "quiet water activities" such as canoeing, kayaking, water-based ecotours and wildlife watching. Watercraft entering the area at a great speed creates wake problems for boaters and visitors who are pursuing these activities.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on May 7, 2008, as **ARC 6784B**. Two public hearings, one in Des Moines and one in Dubuque, were held on May 27, 2008. No written or oral comments were received. These amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 462A.26.

These amendments will become effective September 3, 2008.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Reserve rule **571—40.56**.

ITEM 2. Adopt the following new rule 571—40.57(462A):

571—40.57(462A) Zoning of Catfish Creek, Mines of Spain State Recreation Area, Dubuque County. All vessels shall be operated at no-wake speed within the area beginning at the mouth of Catfish Creek and extending upstream to the confluence of Catfish Creek and Granger Creek and designated by uniform marker buoys approved by the natural resource commission.

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